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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

This paper is responsive to the Final Rejection dated May 20, 2004. (Note: Applicants received an identical document having a mailing date of May 11, 2004. This paper is also responsive to such identical document.)

Amendment of the Specification

To correct a previously unnoticed reference numeral error within the specification please replace the paragraph bridging pages 10 and 11 with the following paragraph:

If the shift converter happens to use a catalyst that cannot tolerate exposure to oxygen (i.e., air), such as a copper/zinc catalyst, air should not be used to purge that component. This may be accommodated by directing the air purge output from the reformer around the shift converter using a bypass conduit 144 (shown in phantom in Fig. 1). During the production of hydrogen while the fuel cell is providing

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